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For: DART GAME SCORE BOARD :

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## AMENDMENT

OFFICE OF PETITIONS

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2002.

The above application should be changed as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Amended Claims 1-3 are attached.

## REMARKS

Claims 1-3 remain in the case. Claims 1-3 have been amended to more clearly define and claim the invention.

Claims 1 - 2 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), as being unpatentable over Wiles et al (US 5,743,533). The attached amended claims clearly distinguish Applicant's claimed invention over the prior art and the claims are now in condition for allowance. No new matter has been added.

The patent to Wiles et al discloses a dart game machine that <u>electronically</u> scores dart throws which includes a score